

BEGIN AN INQUIRY INTO CHARACTER OF WRANGEL

United States Officials Would Also Learn Something About Bolshevik Leader's Policies.

HAS FINE MILITARY RECORD

Informal Action at Present Not Regarded as Anticipating Any Early Recognition at Hands of This Country.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, August 14.—An informal inquiry into the character and policies of the anti-Bolshevik leader, General Wrangel, has been begun by government officials.

Not until the completion of recognition by the United States is involved, officials said, but should the inquiry develop satisfactorily, it is possible that the elements clustered about the Russian leader may afford a road to a solution of conditions in Russia permitting his acceptance among the nations.

On report of the Russian general already has been received, written by a neutral observer, attached to the staff of General Wrangel. It is said to be the first authentic summary of the anti-Bolshevik leader's achievements received in Washington.

General Wrangel, according to the report, began his military career in the Russian army by enlisting in 1901 as a private in the 1st Cavalry Regiment. He was promoted to sergeant after having distinguished himself as a mining engineer. Through his military achievements he was promoted to the rank of colonel in 1914.

Promoted for Bravery.
Leaving the Russian army in 1902 for personal reasons, General Wrangel re-enlisted upon the outbreak of the Russo-Japanese war. He was promoted to captain and then to major. He was subsequently promoted to lieutenant colonel and then to colonel. He was promoted to major general in 1914.

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Jewish Students in Europe Starving, While Teachers Pawn Diplomas for Bread

(By Associated Press.)

CARLSBAD, CZECHO-SLOVAKIA, August 14.—Half a million children in Russia and Ukraine are absolutely without any schooling. Dr. N. Ehrenpreis, chief rabbi of Stockholm, today told the delegates attending the Jewish World Relief Conference.

Dr. Ehrenpreis made this statement in an address primarily devoted to criticism of the work of the joint distribution committee for American Jewish relief. He declared that conditions similar to those in Russia and the Ukraine existed in Saloniki and other parts.

The speaker asserted that in Switzerland Jewish academic teachers were pawning their diplomas in order to stave off starvation. In Prague, he said, 2,000 Jewish University students are nearly starving and their homes are in the parks and railroad stations.

He declared that in Vienna 82 per cent of 7,000 students were from eastern Europe, and that 18 per cent of them were suffering from tuberculosis, and 43 per cent from malnutrition. These students, he said, were making their sleeping quarters on canal bridges, in cafes and in side streets.

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POLISH DELEGATES OFF TO MINSK TO MEET REDS

Some of the Peace Party Have Had No Sleep for the Last Two Days.

WARSAW, August 14.—The Polish peace delegates who are to meet Bolshevik representatives in Minsk, left at dawn this morning for Minsk, where the conference is to be held. The string of automobiles carrying the delegates streamed out of the capital just as the day was breaking. They are scheduled to pass the frontier east of Siedlce before 7 o'clock where they will meet Bolshevik officers who will conduct them to Minsk.

Some of the delegates have not been in bed for two nights. A night's preparation, with conferences held up to the last moment at various points en route, has been the lot.

Much baggage was taken by the delegates in addition to the records and reference books. Packages of food, enough for an extended stay if necessary, were also carried.

General Listowski heads the military experts, while among the civilian members of the party is Stanislaw Grabski, the national democratic leader.

to a dispatch to Zeitung Am Mittag from Prastien, East Prussia. Polish headquarters are in Bialystok.

Reds Near Capital.
LONDON, August 14.—The Russian army is continuing its drive to the west. It has captured the town of Bialystok, which is only 100 miles from Warsaw.

A dispatch from Warsaw today states that the condition of refugees in that city is so critical that the entire Jewish press is appealing to the rabbis to throw open the synagogues for their accommodation.

Wires President.
BLUNT REFUSAL TO SUPPORT SUFFRAGE
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said, "But it will be another day."

Miss Sue White, Tennessee State chairman of the National Women's party, however, was not so optimistic. "Our foes are not yet finally defeated," she stated, "they are simply desperate and we must fight them before, if we are to grasp the victory that seems so near at hand."

Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, president of the National American Woman Suffrage Association, continued her policy of refraining from taking an active part in the fight. At her headquarters, however, she and Mrs. Harriet Taylor Tipton, vice-chairman of the national Republican executive committee, received scores of suffragists who sought advice.

Telegrams from all parts of the country, expressing congratulations and delight at the victory in the Senate yesterday, continued to pour into the headquarters of various suffrage organizations today. Keen interest was displayed in a message from Representative Simon D. Fess, of Ohio, chairman of the national Republican congressional committee, received by officials of the women's party. Mr. Fess expressed pleasure at the attitude of the Republicans in the Senate, and urged upon behalf of himself and all members of the national congressional committee, a favorable action by House Republicans.

Republicans in the House number twenty-nine and on all sides it has been conceded that if they voted as a unit, they would hold the balance of power. Suffragists have not yet given up hope that the delegation eventually would adopt such a course and support ratification.

Antirratification headquarters made public today a telegram from H. H. Williamson, president of the State Rights League of North Carolina, declaring that suffrage would be defeated in that State. The message followed: "We are going to win in spite of pressure from the White House, from Dayton, Ohio, and from the United States Senate and the Secretary of the Navy. The will of the people of our States must be the law. If the crime is perpetuated let it not be laid at the door of either North Carolina or her daughter, Tennessee. Fight to the last ditch and then some."

Tarheels Probably Act Tuesday.
BALTIMORE, August 14.—August 14.—Leaders in the North Carolina Legislature were of the opinion today that neither the Senate nor the House would vote before Tuesday on ratification of the Federal suffrage amendment.

It was predicted that action would be taken first in the Senate, probably Tuesday, and that if the ratification resolution, introduced yesterday, was adopted there it would then be considered by the House, where, it is expected, a bitter, close battle would ensue.

D'ANNUNZIO BREAKS WITH THE COUNCIL OF FIUME

Soldier-Poet Declares Establishment of Free and Independent State Is Imminent.

TRIESTE, August 14.—An open break has occurred between the National Council of Fiume and Gabriele D'Annunzio, the soldier-poet, whose insurgent troops have been in possession of the city for nearly a year past.

D'Annunzio has declared that the establishment of the free and independent state of Fiume is imminent, and that he plans to extend the boundaries along the so-called Wilson line of demarcation between Italian and Yugoslav territory.

The soldier-poet last night addressed a meeting of his soldiers at which time no members of the National Council were in the city. Discussing the proposed extension of the area of Fiume, he said:

"I think the city must proclaim its independence and extend its control to the boundaries set by Maria Theresa (Archduchess of Austria and Queen of Hungary in the eighteenth century). One feels suffocated within them."

"I have reason to believe that my project will not receive the consent of the council and I seek the consent of the people of Fiume. If I am denied it, I will leave before the anniversary of my entrance."

Serbian patrols yesterday fired on the poet's subboat off the island of Veglia. A machinegun on the D'Annunzio machine gun on the island of Veglia, an attack on the island and silenced the Serbs.

HEIR TO FIFTY MILLIONS BECOMES MYSTERY MAN
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concerning possible action of Albert Victor Searles, nephew of the railroad magnate, in starting a suit to break the will. It was predicted that such action would entail spectacular litigation to rival in interest that which followed the death of Searles' wife, formerly widow of Mary Hopkins, whose action in leaving her fortune to her second husband was bitterly contested by her adopted son, Timothy Nolan, nearly thirty years ago.

Searles was the son of a mill hand. It was not until he was forty that he advanced from the work of paperhanging and kalsomining to that of giving estimates and designs upon such work in homes of the wealthy. He met his wife through a business visit to her home at Great Barrington. According to reports, she proposed marriage and he took a year to think it over. He then proposed and after a three-year engagement they were married. Apparently they were happily married.

After he won the suit over his wife's will, Searles settled \$3,000,000 upon Nolan, whose mother was Mrs. Searles' sister, and whose father, a gardener from Ireland, died on his way West.

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Gold Medal Flour, 12-pound bag 97c
Dunlop Flour, 12-pound bag 88c
King's Pure Lard, pound 25c
Good Salt Bacon, pound 18c
Cheese, best full cream, pound 33c
Eggs, strictly fresh, selected and guaranteed, dozen 53c

GREAT BRITAIN AND ITALY TO SEEK COMMON GROUND

Replies From Those Countries to American Note Expected Soon at State Department.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, August 14.—Replies from both Great Britain and Italy to the American note on the Russian-Polish situation are expected soon by State Department officials. A summary of the French rejoinder was received today and the full text will follow soon.

In the opinion of administration officials as expressed today the answer of the allies will spring from a desire to reach a common policy on a question regarded as the gravest with which the world has to deal. It also was suggested officially that the replies of Great Britain and France would offer an opportunity for these governments to smooth out whatever differences that have developed between them since the signing of the American note and the recognition of General Wrangel by France, as the head of the South Russian government.

The French reply, as outlined in the official summary received today, was understood to be highly satisfactory to administration officials.

FRICITION BETWEEN LONDON AND PARIS IS ABATING

Tension Lessens as America's Attitude Points Out on the Troubled Waters.
PARIS, August 14.—Tension between French and British governments is rapidly abating, in the opinion of most of the newspapers here. The situation, which arose through the recognition of General Wrangel as head of the South Russian government, is being smoothed out by the French and British governments.

One of the circumstances which may best favor a resumption of close collaboration between France and England, says the Petit Parisien, is the agreement now realized between France and the United States on the Russian question. The Echo de Paris voices the same opinion.

"Bolshevism is an enemy," the newspaper continues, "and England knows that perfectly. The only questions involved are those of tactics and not of sentiment."

"These may separate her from France, but the voice from overseas reminds her with special forces of European unity and it will help to efface all divergences between France and her allies."

The Figaro says the Washington note relative to Russia has had a good effect in that it has brought moral aid to Poland and cleared up the diplomatic situation.

PONZI REMAINS IN JAIL FOR LACK OF BONDSMEN

Clarification of Stamp Wizard's Tangled Affairs Expected at Hearing on Tuesday.

(By Universal Service.)
BOSTON, August 14.—Assurances that no further bank closings are likely as a result of the collapse of the financial dealings of Charles Ponzi was given tonight by Joseph C. Allen, State bank commissioner.

"In response to repeated inquiries," the commissioner said, "I again state that the Ponzi Trust Company and the Polish Industrial Association are the only banking institutions in New England known to be in any way affected by the Ponzi failure."

The Polish Industrial Association, conducting a private bank, steamship agency and other accommodations for immigrants, was taken over by the commissioner today. Henry H. Chmielewski, president of the association, also is president of the Ponzi Trust Company, closed by the commissioner earlier in the week. Mr. Allen said that affairs of the two institutions were "hopelessly interwoven," that the Polish Association had exhausted practically all of its cash and that its loans were either bad or of doubtful value.

No Bondsman for Ponzi.
No bondsman were forthcoming today for Ponzi for the three months of the Old Colony Foreign Exchange Company, the "100 per cent in six months" concern, who were arrested yesterday. Ponzi remained in the Middlesex County Jail at East Cambridge and the others three, Charles M. Brightwell, Raymond Meyers and Fred Meyers, in the Charles Street Jail. Samuel Zorn, an agent of the Foreign Exchange Company, was released in \$2,000 bonds.

Definite clarification of Ponzi's tangled affairs is looked for if petitions for receivers for his securities exchange company are granted by the Federal court. A hearing will be given on these petitions next Tuesday forenoon.

Bankrupt petitions were filed against the Old Colony Foreign Exchange Company today. Branch offices in several New England cities were closed by county authorities.

The offices of Attorney-General J. Weston Allen at the State House were crowded throughout the day with noteholders of the Securities Exchange Company and the Old Colony Foreign Exchange Company.

Noteholders Clamor.
Their names and particulars as to their notes were taken. Many of the visitors were greatly excited, and voiced angry demands for the return of the money which they had invested.

Presentation of these notes already has disclosed liabilities of Ponzi's company to the extent of \$2,000,000. A large number of notes sent by mail have not yet been examined. The attorney-general's office will be kept busy for some time in connection with this matter. The possibility of a shakeup in the police department as a result of the bursting of the Ponzi financial bubble was seen in a statement issued by Police Commissioner Edwin U. Curtis.

ATHENS IS INDIGNANT OVER ATTEMPT TO KILL PREMIER

Wreck Opposition Newspaper Plants. Former Minister to Petrograd Shot Dead.

(By Universal Service.)
VIENNA VIA LONDON, August 14.—Poland will refuse the armistice terms of the Russians, especially the provision which would reduce the Polish army to 50,000 men, according to advices received here today.

ATHENS, August 14.—The news of the attempted assassination of Premier Venizelos in Paris has given rise to unbridled popular indignation here. Plants of opposition newspapers and the residence of former premier Skoufodis were wrecked. Many opposition leaders were arrested.

M. Iragoulis, former Greek minister to Petrograd, was shot dead while trying to escape from a military escort.

Say, Pop, you're missing the best part of the paper! Here's an advertisement of Berry's about their special Suits for boys from 7 to 18 years.

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Also Sheets, Pillow Cases and Bed Spreads, all of which can be had in the August Sale at lower prices than will be possible later.

Our purchases already placed for Fall delivery show quite an increase over prices quoted in this August Sale.
Many homes and institutions, seeing the wisdom of our suggestion, are stocking up NOW for the winter.
Here are three good Blanket values selected at random from the large assortment on sale.
Extra Special—Blankets, \$9.98
This is a feature number. Fine grade, wool mixed blankets. All white, with blue or rose borders. Edges nicely bound with silkline. Double or twin bed sizes—70x82, 60x80 inches.
Plaid Blankets, \$12.50
A beautiful blanket in rich plaids—blue, rose, gray or tan. Wool and cotton mixed—good weight and warm. Full double bed size, 72x84 inches.
Fine Wool Blankets, \$18.50
Extra fine grade wool blankets, with cotton chain. White with blue or rose border. Ends bound with one-inch selvetto. Size 72x84. Wonderful value.
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Gold Medal Flour, 12-pound bag 97c
Dunlop Flour, 12-pound bag 88c
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